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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 24TH, 1914.

It certainly will not be for want of trying if China never possesses a stable Parliament—two attempts have been made already, and now a third effort is to be made next year. It is idle now to debate whether China is really adapted to parliamentary institutions and whether they will not be more of a hindrance than an advantage to her—it has evidently been irrevocably determined that at all costs she shall make a semblance of following Western nations in this respect, and for the rest we can rely on YUAN SHIH-KAI, so long as he remains President, keeping his newly-created Parliament as strictly in order as ever Queen Elizabeth did hers. In the Presidential Mandate promulgating the election law and ordering the territorial officials to put it into effect as soon as possible, great emphasis is laid on the importance of attaining the happy mean, and of devising some system which will maintain the parliamentary principle while at the same time not interfering with the regular order of things—in the picturesque language of the Mandate, "It is of the foremost importance to regard the conditions of the nation, be cutting of one's feet to fit a pair of shoes being out of the question." With such an ideal as this to be fulfilled it may be anticipated that the powers to be accorded to the new Parliament—Lifayuan, or Legislative Council—will be severely limited; there

will be, of course, no direct election and a very narrow franchise; the Chamber will sit for only four months annually, except by special wish of the President; the President will have practically full control over the course of legislation. Much, of course, will depend on the extent to which these checks and limitations are actually enforced; a Parliament that set itself to obstruct and criticize the Executive would easily be harassed out of existence by these restrictions, but we have no doubt that one that was honestly endeavouring to assist in the task of governing China, and not wasting its time in purposeless opposition, would soon find that many of the checks and curbs were but silken threads. It is from this point of view that the progress of this new, or revived, institution will be of interest; the language of the Presidential Mandate makes it plain that its present form is to be experimental only, and that its powers and freedom will be increased, and, apparently, its election made more democratic, as it shows itself fit to take its share in the task of government. In effect, we are going back to the late EMPRESS DOWAGER's nine years' programme of constitutional reforms promulgated in 1907, with the essential difference that, instead of a cut-and-dried schedule, everything is now left in an elastic state, to be decided as future events indicate. It is, however, difficult to imagine how an institution that exists only on sufferance and by the gracious will of its creator, and has no means of asserting itself and enforcing its own desires, can ever become an essential part of the machine of government, and it is in this respect that it is impossible to compare China's Parliamentary essays with what has been achieved in other lands, or to forecast her future from our own experience. In the stormiest days, the English Parliament was always able to secure some degree of hearing for itself by reason of its control over the purse-strings and its power of granting or withholding supplies. In China, the reverse is the case—the Chinese have for generations been accustomed to pay taxes that appeal to them as reasonable and just, without requiring any constitutional sanction for them, while, on the other hand, it is certain that in the present state of China, an unpopular tax would never be collected even though it had been passed in the fullest manner by two Chambers of Parliament. In short, we think that YUAN SHIH-KAI, to adopt another homely simile, is trying to build the house from the chimney-pots downwards. The Chinese are essentially democratic in their tendencies, and what is required is to develop and train this rudiment, so that it can become the foundation of a parliamentary system that has grown up from a source among the people of China. This would have been accomplished in the local government bodies—municipal councils—that were, under the late EMPRESS DOWAGER's programme, to be one of the first steps in the working out of the full constitution. We have always felt that a mistake was made in including these bodies in the general jettison of parliamentary institutions that signalized the PRESIDENT's determination to crush once and for all the Kuomintang. A council concerned only in the affairs of its own town is too unimportant to be a menace to anyone, but the administration of the affairs of a small district on a democratic basis affords the best of preparations for the control of larger things. The members of a municipal council would all be well known to the people of their own town; whatever they proposed or did would be public property and be subjected to the full blaze of local criticism and local knowledge; the affairs with which the municipal councillors would have to deal would be such as they were fully conversant with. In brief, such councils would furnish both for the electors and for the elected an admirable training in popular government, and it would be easy to progress from them through the Provincial Assemblies to the National Council or Parliament, and such a Parliament, established as the result of a logical sequence of processes, would be far more likely to be, to adopt the PRESIDENT's phrase, "suited nicely to the present conditions of our country" than, we fear, the body to be elected next year will prove itself.

The Rev. T. W. Pearce will conduct a service in the Union Church on Christmas Day, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

A Southern contemporary mentions that Messrs. Behn, Meyer & Co., Ltd., are incorporated in the Straits Settlements and registered in the F.M.S. as a British company.

Rear-Admiral Reginald F. Nicholson, of the United States Navy, member of the Navy General Board and until a few months ago Commander of the Asiatic Squadron, has been placed on the retired list. Admiral Nicholson is 62 years old.

Captain the Hon. Hubert Brand, M.V.O., the Naval Attaché of the British Embassy in Tokyo, who has been appointed a staff officer in the British Admiralty, left Yokohama last week for home, travelling *via* Canada.

A special meeting of the Tingkal Tin Mine, Ltd., at Singapore, sanctioned a dividend of eight per cent. on the preference shares. The Chairman thought a dividend of 20 per cent. on the ordinary shares would be possible at the end of the financial year.

As Moutrie's will be closed on Boxing Day and in order to meet the great demand for seats, the Hongkong Hotel have kindly undertaken to receive applications that day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the A.D.C.'s forthcoming Fairy Ballet to be given on Saturday, January 2nd, and Wednesday, January 8th (Matinée), in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund.

The Union Church Guild held a very successful social gathering in the Church Hall last night. Mr. A. Hughes presided, and an enjoyable programme of vocal and instrumental items was contributed by the following:—Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Gibson, Messrs. C. Edgumbe, Grey, and Smith (songs), Miss McKenzie (piano forte solos), and Mr. A. Hughes (reading from Dickens' "Christmas Carol").

Mr. W. H. Williams, formerly Headmaster of Victoria School, Hongkong, and now a barrister-at-law of Colwyn Bay, and Unionist Candidate for West Dunbartonshire, has obtained a commission in the 8th Cheshires. A Liverpool paper which makes this announcement says:—"Lieutenant Williams, while living in Hongkong, where he held an important educational appointment, was an officer with a Volunteer Artillery Regiment."

Another smart opium capture must be laid to the credit of the Revenue authorities. It became known to them that two men living in Hollywood Road possessed a certain quantity of opium, which they were desirous of selling. Two Chinese, one of whom was a revenue officer, paid the would-be sellers a visit at the servants' quarters of the Astor House Hotel, where they were offered eight tins of opium, weighing 40 tins, for a price. The parties were haggling about the price when, according to previously-made arrangements, Revenue Officer Wilden appeared on the scene, confiscated the opium, and had the men arrested. At the Magistracy yesterday the defendants were fined \$2,000 or a year's imprisonment each.

HONGKONG CLERK'S TRAGIC DEATH.

EXPIRES SUDDENLY AFTER RACE WITH HIS BROTHER.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mr. A. B. Suffad, clerk to the Chief Justice, and Mrs. Suffad, on the sudden death of their elder son, Mr. A. M. Suffad, which took place on Sunday evening under the most tragic circumstances.

The deceased, who was a clerk at the Chartered Bank, had been playing some strenuous games of tennis during the afternoon at the Chinese Recreation ground, and subsequently, following a joke, it was agreed that deceased and his younger brother should compete in a 200 yards race. Just before the race the elder brother jocularly told the other not to "kill himself," and then they proceeded to race, the result being a dead heat. With others the two brothers then sat down to partake of refreshment. No sooner had the elder brother sat down in a chair than he collapsed, and before medical aid could be summoned had expired, the cause of death being sudden dilation of the heart due to strain.

At the interment, which took place in the Mohammedan burial ground on Monday, a large number of friends attended to pay a last mark of esteem, the deceased being a most popular young man. The wealth of floral tributes also testified to the respect in which he was held.

ACCIDENT TO THE "BENLAVERS."

The steamer *BenlaVERS*, which reached Hongkong yesterday from Singapore, met with a mishap on Monday evening in the thick weather that prevailed. Land was suddenly observed right ahead and so close that it was impossible to save the ship from touching. Fortunately the impact was comparatively slight, and the vessel came off, but her stem was bent and she came into port with her fore peak full of water.

EMBARGO ON EXPORT REMOVED.

The Japanese Consul at Manila has been advised by the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Tokyo that the regulations governing the exportation of coal from Japan to the south of Hongkong have been removed, effective December 12th.

The American Consul at Saigon has received official assurances from Hanoi that a decree has been issued by the French Government authorizing the unlimited exportation of rice to China and the Philippines.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, December 23rd.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (HON. SIR WM. REES DAVIES, K.C.) AND THE PUISNE JUDGE (MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ).

LEGAL ARGUMENT IN BOMB CASE.

Legal argument was opened on a point of law submitted by Counsel for the defence in the case in which Chan Hoi Yuk, alias Chan Yik Tong, alias King Wan, was convicted by a jury on charges of being in possession of 1 lb. of dynamite and five detonators on November 7th, in such circumstances as to give cause for reasonable suspicion that he did not have the explosives for a lawful purpose.

The Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Kemp), instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. P. M. Hodgson), prosecuted, and Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. Russ, from Mr. Gardiner's office), defended.

Mr. Pollock first submitted to the Court that under the Section upon which the charge was brought (Section 5 of Ordinance 23 of 1913) possession alone of an explosive substance was not sufficient *per se*, and that the prosecution would have to go on and prove possession under such circumstances as to give rise to reasonable suspicion that the possession was not for a lawful object. It was one whole indivisible offence, and it could not be separated into two. Both the possession and the circumstances that gave rise to reasonable suspicion had to be proved.

The Chief Justice agreed that that was so.

Mr. Pollock said the position was that the object of the prisoner was to encompass the death or hurt of the Governor-General of Canton. He was therefore in unlawful possession of an explosive within this Colony, while the unlawful object aimed at was to be carried out outside the jurisdiction of the Colony. The jury had answered a question put to them by the Puisse Judge, whether or no Lung Chai Kwong was to be assailed wherever he might be found, in the affirmative. If he was correct in saying there was one indivisible offence, then he submitted that the Court had no jurisdiction to try any such offence, inasmuch as the material part of that offence had to be accomplished outside its jurisdiction.

The Chief Justice—in other words, there was no offence at all in law.

Mr. Pollock—Yes. The Court has no jurisdiction over the crime contemplated under this special verdict by the jury. The jurisdiction of the Court is territorial, and the object was to be accomplished outside that territory. Consequently, there is no offence which can be punished under this section. There are no words in the local Ordinance—as are contained in some of the Home enactments—such as "whether within or without the jurisdiction."

The Chief Justice—Of course there is no doubt that conspiracy between two or more to commit an offence elsewhere is punishable by our laws, the gist of the offence being the conspiracy here.

Without calling upon the Attorney-General to reply, the Court held that it had jurisdiction, that it had power to consider the prisoner's own admission that he was exporting the explosives for the purpose of murder, and that the conviction must be upheld.

The Full Court then adjourned. Subsequently the Puisse Judge returned, and sentenced the prisoner to seven years' hard labour.

PROPOSED UNIVERSITY FOR THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

PROPOSED RAFFLES MEMORIAL.

At the prize-giving of the Anglo-Chinese School, at Ipoh, the Rev. W. E. Horley suggested the establishment of a Straits University on the same lines as that at Hongkong. He said it would be a fitting memorial to Sir Stamford Raffles, as marking the centenary of the founding of Singapore.

Mr. Oliver Marks, the Acting Resident, supported the idea, but considered the establishment of a technical school more important. Government had intended to place in this year's estimates a vote for a School of Agriculture, but the financial state of the country did not permit of it.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

PROPOSED VOTE FOR RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is convened for this afternoon when the following resolution will be proposed:—"It is hereby resolved that a sum of

dollars three hundred and forty-eight thousand eight hundred and sixty-six and cents ninety-three (\$348,866.93) be advanced out of funds in the custody of the Government for the construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) during the year 1914."

LOCAL SPORT.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

FAN-LING MIXED FOURSOMES.

Below is the Draw and times of starting in connection with the Mixed Foursomes Medal Competition to be held over Fan-Ling (18 holes Course) on Boxing Day, Saturday, 26th inst.

Competitors must be on the First Tee at their respective starting times.

In all matches Ladies drive from the First Tee.

For the purposes of this Competition a special local rule allowing a ball in any position to be picked up and dropped on the fairway under penalty of one stroke, will be in operation.

The Men's Club House will be open for Tiffin; Competitors wanting tiffin must send in their names to either the Fan-Ling Boy (Telephone No. K160), or to the Happy Valley Boy (Telephone No. 78).

Competitors' Handicaps are given in brackets (half of the sum total of each couple's handicap is to be deducted from the gross score returned).

The trains from Kowloon on Boxing Day are 8.45, 9.40 and 11.25 a.m. The 9.35, 9.25 and 11.15 ferries catch the respective trains.

THE DRAW.

1.16 p.m.—Mrs. Butler (30) and Mr. Hay (14) v. Mrs. Ram (34) and Mr. Ram (18).
1.20 p.m.—Mrs. Gale (8) and Mr. Gale (13) v. Mrs. N. L. Smith (34) and Mr. Smith (7).
1.24 p.m.—Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe (34) and Mr. A. H. G. Jackson (12) v. Mrs. Rayner (36) and Mr. J. A. Gray (18).
1.28 p.m.—Mrs. MacDougall (30) and Mr. MacDougall (7) v. Miss Caldwell (30) and Mr. A. E. Davison (8).
1.32 p.m.—Mrs. Carleton (26) and Mr. Carleton (16) v. Mrs. Ritchie (30) and Mr. Ritchie (5).
1.36 p.m.—Mrs. Baker-Brown (22) and Mr. T. W. Hill (1) v. Mrs. Spencer (30) and Mr. Spencer (8).
1.40 p.m.—Miss Wilkinson (14) and Rev. Titchborne (5) v. Mrs. Moxon (9) and Mr. Cumming (scratched).
1.44 p.m.—Mrs. Landale (30) and Mr. Landale (15) v. Mrs. Gedge (scratched) and Mr. Grist (5).
1.48 p.m.—Mrs. Stain-Stewart (2) and Mr. Cary (8) v. Mrs. Waters (30) and Major de C. Faichnie (18).
1.52 p.m.—Miss Cunningham (9) and Mr. Cunningham (14) v. Mrs. Dalnahooy (2) and Captain Dalnahooy (30).
1.56 p.m.—Miss Alex Gordon (30) and Mr. T. A. Loughlin (14).
2.00 p.m.—Miss Kelly (9) and Captain Heath (14) v. Miss Baker-Brown (38) and Colonel Baker-Brown (18).
2.04 p.m.—Mrs. Beavis (34) and Mr. Bulmer-Johnson (9) v. Mrs. R. Hancock (30) and Mr. Beavis (2).
2.08 p.m.—Mrs. J. W. Taylor (24) and Mr. Moxon (18) v. Mrs. G. F. Turner (22) and Mr. Parr (9).
2.12 p.m.—Mrs. Herbert Griffin (36) and Mr. Herbert Griffin (18) v. Mrs. A. E. Davey (36) and Mr. E. Lester Arnold (9).
2.16 p.m.—Mrs. F. Maitland (30) and Mr. F. Maitland (24) v. Mrs. R. D. Harvey (24) and Mr. R. D. Harvey (18).
2.20 p.m.—Mrs. T. E. Pearce (17) and Mr. Bowker (18) v. Miss M. Rodger (14) and Mr. Bennett (16).

Other couples wishing to compete should send in their names to Mr. K. M. Cumming, Honorary Secretary.

The courtesy of the green is requested between the hours of 1.10 and 2.30 p.m.

LADIES' HANDICAPS.

(as revised 23rd December, 1914.)

Mrs. Gedge	Scratch.
Mrs. Winslow	2
Mrs. Dalnahooy	2
Mrs. Stain-Stewart	2
Mrs. Moxon	5
Mrs. Gale	8
Mrs. Milner-Jones	9
Miss Cunningham	9
Miss Kelly	9
Mrs. J. W. Stewart	13
Mrs. H. T. C. Ivens	13
Mrs. F. M. Crawford	14
Mrs. M. Rodger	14
Miss Wilkinson	14
Mrs. T. E. Pearce	17
Mrs. Newall	20
Miss D. Rodger	20
Mrs. Beswick	22
Mrs. Baker-Brown	22
Mrs. G. F. Turner	22
Mrs. McHardy	24
Mrs. R. D. Harvey	24
Mrs. Pyne	24
Mrs. J. W. Taylor	24
Mrs. Carleton	26
Miss Alex. Gordon	26
Mrs. Saunders	26
Mrs. Spencer Bernard	30
Mrs. J. W. C. Bonnar	30
Mrs. H. C. B. Boucher	30
Mrs. Butler	30
Miss Caldwell	30
Mrs. Hickman	30
Mrs. Colbourne Little	30
Mrs. Landale	30
Mrs. MacDougall	30
Mrs. Maitland	30
Mrs. Phelps	30
Mrs. Ritchie	30
Mrs. Waters	30
Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe	34
Mrs. Beavis	34
Mrs. Ram	34
Mrs. R. L. Smith	34
Miss D. Gordon	34
Mrs. Anderson	36
Miss Baker-Brown	36
Mrs. A. E. Davey	36
Mrs. Herbert Griffin	36
Mrs. Kelly	36
Mrs. Rayner	36
Mrs. Shenton	36
Mrs. R. Hancock	36

CRICKET.

The Officers of the United Services will be "At Home" to their friends on the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground on Boxing Day. The Band of the 74th Punjabis will play during the afternoon and the fives and drums of the 30th Punjabis will play tattoo.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

BOXING DAY MATCHES.

Two good Association matches have been arranged for Saturday next at Happy Valley. At 2.30 the St. Joseph's College team will oppose the Lam Long Wan King Club in a struggle for Second Division points, and, judging from recent displays, spectators will probably be surprised at the degree of keenness and football ability shown.

At 4.45 the exhibition match "Army and Navy" v. "Rest of Hongkong" will come off. The following strong elevens have been selected, and, with both sides anxious to come out on top, there should be little difference at the finish.

Teams:—Army: Goal, Fernmore (Tamar) and McCubbin (R.G.A.); halves, Wilson (Triumph), Martin (Tamar) and Townsend (R.G.A.); for wards, Hopper (Tamar), Davies (Staff and Departments), Mason (Davies) (R.G.A.), and Bakersham (Tamar) (R.G.A.). Rest of Hongkong: Goal, Swan (Police); J. Clark (Police) and McCubbin (H.K.F.C.); halves, Gardner (Police), Stewart (H.K.F.C.), and Long (H.K.F.C.); forwards, Grimmett (Police), Robinson (H.K.F.C.), Kelly (Police), Stalker (H.K.F.C.), and Pennell (H.K.F.C.).

The Hongkong team will play in white; both matches will be on the ground of the Hongkong F.C., and members of the Club will be admitted free to the stand on production of their membership cards for the current season only. Ladies will be admitted free.

CHRISTMAS DAY RUGBY MATCH.

IN AID OF THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

A Rugby match—Scotland and Ireland v. England, arranged by the Hongkong Football Club, will be played on the Club ground at Happy Valley to-morrow (Christmas Day), at 4.30 p.m. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance to see a very keen match, especially in view of its purpose.

The teams are: Scotland and Ireland—M. C. Spillane; K. M. Cumming; R. M. Henderson; Campbell and R. E. Watson; Jasper Clark and N. C. Wilson; R. O. Hutchison; R. Kennedy; J. H. Gordon; J. M. Walker; J. C. Taylor; J. H. Gordon; Shearer and J. Talston. England—F. H. Robinson; R. S. Amory; A. L. Gace; F. H. Robinson; A. S. Kemp; H. S. Rouse and L. J. Blackburn; C. Woodhead; R. H. Whitall; P. Leigh Bennett; A. L. Coleman; F. M. Courtney; F. A. Gace; W. F. Harrison and J. H. Bone. Remember those at the front on Christmas Day!

"CHA, MISSIE, CHA!"

A HONGKONG NUISANCE.

All Hongkong residents are familiar with the raucous invitation of the chair coolie, "Cha, Missie, Cha!" By the majority of people—more particularly those who can boast of a more or less lengthy residence in the Colony—the shrill call is callously regarded as a necessary and inevitable note in the incessant street music. There are cars, however—probably nerves also play their part—upon which the coolies' most persistent and most unpersuasive call strikes with grating unpleasantness. Apparently complaints have been made to the police, who set themselves the task—seemingly not a difficult one—of putting it down. It was a comparatively easy matter to watch for the opportunity to take the offenders into custody, and present them before a Magistrate soon after the commission of the offence. But here was reared an obstacle. His Worship thought that the Ordinance laid down that, to convict on a charge of soliciting, the frequent accompanying act of obstruction—namely, the dragging of the conveyance from its stand on to the footpath or road—was necessary to complete the offence as contemplated in the Ordinance. Coolies did not take long to realise that if they kept their places on the stand the police could not prosecute them, however persistently and noisily they might wag their tongues. Consequently, the Crown have taken the matter up, and at the Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, two lean coolies figured as defendants in a test case. They were charged with soliciting fares, no obstruction being alleged against them.

The Crown Solicitor (Mr. P. M. Hodgson) prosecuted, and emphasised the importance of the matter to the police, the Crown, and the public. He argued that while the two acts of soliciting and obstructing were dealt with in one sentence in the Ordinance, they were meant to be two separate offences. Otherwise, he contended, the word "or" which coupled the first and second parts of the sentence together, would have been "and." He imagined that calling to people on the sidewalk—people who could take chairs and were entitled to do so if they desired—was an offence even though there be no obstruction. Mr. Hodgson said he had looked into the Ordinance carefully, and it was his opinion that soliciting was an offence, and that this section was meant to deal with it. Before his Worship went into the general canons of interpretation of such clauses as the one concerned, he must have regard to the whole intention of the regulations.

His Worship reserved his decision.

THE WAR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

LONDON, December 22nd.
5.25 p.m.

To-day's Paris communiqué says:—

From the Sea to the Lys there have been only artillery engagements. We repulsed between the Lys and the Aisne an attack by the Germans attempting to debouch from Carancay. We captured some houses in the region of Blangy.

The enemy's attack at Nametz and in the neighbouring trenches did not permit our troops to make much progress in this direction.

We repulsed the attack in the Lihons region, and also made slight gains eastward and westward of Tracy-le-Val.

Our artillery maintained an effective fire on the Mourhon Plateau. There have been artillery engagements at Rheims, in Champagne, and in Argonne, while around Souain there has been violent bayonet fighting. We made no appreciable progress in this district.

We carried three German field-works, representing a trench-front of fifteen hundred metres, in the vicinity of Perthes les Hurlus.

We consolidated our position gained north-east of Beausejour, and have also occupied all the trenches bordering the Le Calvaire ridge.

In Bois-de-la-Grurie our progress continues.

At St. Hubert we repulsed an attack.

At Bois Boilants, where some ground had been lost, we have re-captured two-thirds of the ground.

Slight progress has also been made between Argonne and the Meuse, at Vanquois, and our troops northward of Malincourt succeeded in getting past the barbed-wire entanglements, and capturing some of the enemy's trenches, where hitherto they had held their ground. We lost, and then re-captured, at Bois-de-Consenvoye, some ground we recently won. The fighting was sharp.

There is nothing to report elsewhere.

LONDON, December 23rd.
1.30 a.m.

The Paris evening official announcement says:—

North of Puisseleime and South of Noyon the enemy on Monday evening made violent counter-attacks but all were repulsed. We gained a footing at Bournelles, south of Varennes. Our attacks were continued on Tuesday and appear to have secured our progress at Bournelles and west of Vanquois.

DESPERATE FIGHTING IN POLAND.

LONDON, December 23rd.

The latest official announcement at Petrograd states that there was desperate fighting on the 21st inst. between the Lower Vistula and the River Pilica. The German attacks were repulsed.

Two thousand Austrians were captured between Pilica and the Upper Vistula.

The operations in Galicia are developing in favour of the Russians.

Sorties from Przemyel have been repulsed.

THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

FRENCH MINISTERIAL DECLARATION.

LONDON, December 22nd.
8.35 p.m.

A message from Paris says that M. Viviani, the Prime Minister in the Chamber of Deputies, in the course of a stirring Ministerial declaration, reviewed the progress of the war. He said that France, in accord with her Allies, would not lay down her arms till she had avenged outraged right, and regained for ever her lost provinces, restored heroic Belgium to the fulness of her material prosperity and political independence, and broken Prussian Militarism, so that there might eventually be reconstructed a regenerated Europe, founded upon peace and right.

The Premier emphasised that France was certain of success, owing to the heroism of her Army, guided by incomparable leaders, and also owing to the French blue-jackets, who, with the British, were commanding the seas, protecting their Colonies, and enabling the transportation of troops. M. Viviani also dwelt on the splendid financial position of France.

THE BRILLIANT ACHIEVEMENT OF SUBMARINE B11.

COMMANDER AWARDED THE V.C. FOR MOST CONSPICUOUS BRAVERY.

LONDON, December 22nd.
8.35 p.m.

The London Gazette announces that the Victoria Cross has been awarded to Lieutenant Norman Holbrook, "for most conspicuous bravery when in command of Submarine B11." The Gazette records that the submarine entered the Dardanelles, and, despite the difficult currents, dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship *Messoudiyeh*, which was guarding the minefield. B11, although pursued by gunfire and torpedo-boats, returned safely. She was submerged on one occasion for nine hours.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW APPOINTMENT FOR ADMIRAL CALLAGHAN.

London, December 23rd.

Admiral Sir George Callaghan, G.C.V.O., has been appointed Commander-in-Chief at the Nore, in succession to Admiral Sir Richard Poore, K.C.B.

The Times states that the original arrangement was for Admiral Sir A. Berkeley Milne to succeed Admiral Poore in August last. That this has been departed from is doubtless due to the valuable experience Admiral Callaghan must have acquired at the Admiralty recently, and his appointment will be regarded with approval and satisfaction by the country.

BOMBS DROPPED NEAR STRASSBURG.

London, December 23rd.

An airman has dropped bombs in a suburb of Strassburg and has done some damage.

[BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE CABLES.]

RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IN THE CAUCASUS.

LONDON, December 22nd.

The Russian Caucasus Staff report an engagement with numerous forces of Turks in the region of Van is developing favourably. The enemy in a night attack on the village of Alagouse was repulsed and suffered great losses.

CAPTURES BY THE "ASKOLD."

It is announced by the Naval Headquarters at Petrograd that the cruiser *Askold* has captured a German vessel near Haifa, and blown up two Turkish ships near Beirut.

RECONNAISSANCE IN FORCE IN GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

The South African Government announces that Union Forces are carrying out a reconnaissance in force in the regions of Aus and Ghabub, German South-West Africa. The enemy territory has thus been penetrated for a considerable distance.

[FRENCH GOVERNMENTABLE, THROUGH PEKING.]

THE PROGRESS OF THE ALLIES.

On the 20th steady progress was made by the allies in the regions of St. George's and North-East of Dixmude. The Germans bombarded Ypres Hospital. The Allies carried a wood east of Lens, occupying all the first line of German trenches. The Germans bombarded Arras. French artillery blew up at Thelus, north of Arras, an ammunition depot, shattered at Carnoy some German trenches and put a battery established near Ham. French artillery also cannonaded very actively and with accuracy the enemy's trenches northward of Vic-sur-Aisne and acquired the advantage on the Aisne and Rheims sector. The French progress was very appreciable in Prosmes, Perthes and Beausejour regions; also on all the front between Argonne and the Meuse. French troops crossed the Cheppes rivulet and established themselves at 500 metres beyond the enemy's direction in the outskirts of Varennes, and compelled the Germans to evacuate their trenches on the right bank of Aire.

WAR NEWS.

THE BRITISH CONTINGENT FROM JAPAN.

The following are the names of the contingent from Japan now proceeding to England to join the new Service Battalions:—Messrs. Cyril P. Bird, W. Blundell, V. G. Bowden, P. Bruhl, H. Esdale, F. A. Graham, G. L. James, W. K. Kingston, W. Kirby, Lawrence Macchall, Graham Martyn, J. W. Martyn, N. McConnochie, C. Bonbow-Rowe, W. L. Scott, L. Vincent, and F. E. Wood. Of the above Messrs. J. W. and G. Martyn have been granted commissions. In addition, the following had previously left Yokohama, Tokyo and Kobe to join the Army:—Messrs. Richard Bent, Basil W. Cabusac, William Clarke, George W. Colter, Charles G. Elder, K. R. Forde, Horace G. Green, T. L. Turner, G. W. Guttridge, T. H. G. Kenderdine, A. H. Shurrock, John H. Thomas, E. P. Turner and G. Upson. Beside the above the following Japanese residents have joined the Army:—E. B. Johnson and H. Bailey; Messrs. W. Davidson, E. R. Thomas, and K. Hardmann (who joined at home while on furlough), and Tommy Byron. The above names are taken from the *Japan Gazette*. The Japan contingent thus numbers thirty-seven to date, a very good showing in a British community that scarcely exceeds two thousand.

THE INDIAN TROOPS IN ACTION.

In the course of one of his despatches the "Eye-witness" present at Headquarters has the following reference to the Indian regiments:—Occasionally, however, they have done wonders in this way. A company of Gurkhas had been terribly worried one day by the fire from a certain German trench about 200 yards from their own, at each end of which a mitrailleuse was posted. At nightfall they determined to have done with it. Secretly and silently four men left their trench and crept away into the darkness. An hour passed, two hours, three, and nothing happened. Then, just before dawn, came the alarm. There was a sudden cry of terror from the German lines, then mingled shouts and shots. After a minute's struggle in the dark against an invisible foe, who slashed and stabbed without being seen, the Germans were seized with panic and bolted to the rear. Rifle fire blazed out along the whole front, but the four happy Gurkhas slunk back to their comrades unscathed. When dawn broke the German trench lay untenanted save by the two silent mitrailleuses and the gashed and bleeding bodies of 15 of its defenders. The work of the Indian regiments has been very creditable, but their casualties, too, have been high. A curiously large proportion of men are put out of action by wounds in the left hand. A whole field ambulance sometimes reaches hospital filled with nothing but such cases. These are due largely to the habit which the Indian soldier has of supporting his rifle in the fork of his thumb and index finger with the palm spread right out.

At the Magistrate yesterday, before Mr. F. A. Hazeldan, a Chinese was charged with assaulting Miss S. Joseph, at her residence in Queen's Road East, and further with attempting to commit a robbery. Evidence was given to the effect that the defendant and another man who was not in custody made their way into the complainant's room in broad daylight on Saturday morning, and attacked and gagged Miss Joseph, with the object, it was alleged, of committing a robbery. An alarm gave the alarm, however, and the men made off, the defendant being caught at the bottom of the stairs. The Magistrate sent the man for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

THE ATTEMPTED ROBBERY IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

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AMERICAN SAILOR FINED FOR DRUNKENNESS.

An American sailor named Charles Austin was charged at the Magistrate yesterday with being drunk and incapable in Queen's Road. The Indian constable who took defendant into custody stated that he was staggering about the road and impeding the traffic. Inspector Fen-ton said that, when the defendant came to the police station, he was helplessly drunk. He was brought up in a chair, and had to be carried from the charge room to the cells. He was able to talk, but not to walk.

Defendant told the Magistrate that if he had been let alone he would have taken a ricksha and gone to the Seamen's Institute, where he had previously secured a bed. He was aware that he must have gone to the Police Station in a chair, for he certainly was not able to walk that distance. His Worship, in imposing a fine of \$5, said he was of opinion that the constable would not have interfered with defendant unless he had been compelled.

TELEGRAMS.

[“DAILY PRESS” EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

THE CUSTOMS AT TSINGTAU.

PEKING, December 23rd.

The Tsingtau Customs complication has become more acute and Chang-hu has been impeached.

PRESIDENT PERFORMS THE WORSHIP OF HEAVEN.

PEKING, December 23rd.

President Yuan Shih-kai performed the Worship of Heaven this morning with modified ceremonial. The streets were covered with yellow earth and traffic was suspended.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINESE MINISTERS RECEIVED BY THE KING.

LONDON, December 23rd.

H.M. King George has received in audience the departing Chinese Minister, Mr. Lew Yuk Lin, and his successor Mr. Alfred Sze.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A CONTRADICTION.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE “HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.”]

The Seamen's Institute.

23rd December, 1914.

DEAR SIR,—The Volunteer Reserve Orders for last week contained an announcement that I had been dismissed from the corps for disobedience of orders. As this statement is incorrect, I think it right to publicly contradict it.

I am an ex-soldier of 13 years' standing and I have recently volunteered for active service. At the commencement of the war I was a private in the Reserves. My work at the Seamen's Institute is extremely arduous and it renders my attendance at drill frequently impossible. In consequence of this, I wrote to the Adjutant on December the 3rd last, and tendered my resignation. On December the 14th last, I received a letter from the Adjutant informing me that I was dismissed the corps "for disobedience of orders." This was the first intimation to me of the accusation of disobeying orders.

As a soldier of long standing, I would be the last to disobey the orders of my superior officers, and I wish to make use of the publicity of your columns to contradict a statement which is both misleading and untrue.—Yours faithfully,

WM. DAVIES.

"SNOW-WHITE."

"A BALLET FOR FAIRIES AND A PIANO."

Of late there has come a great change over the whole world of art, a change and a development so decided that it is hard to find in all the years that have gone before a proportionate parallel. Possibly in the world of art this change has affected music as much if not more than any other, and possibly no means of expression has so benefited by the change as that instrument which has so very often and for so long been looked upon as a mere article of household furniture, the piano. One does not forget, of course, the extraordinary developments in orchestral music, for the orchestra possesses enormous possibilities of tone colour which can never be emulated by the piano, but none the less just as there are certain types of music which cannot be adequately expressed except by the orchestra, so there are certain types which are peculiarly adapted to the piano as the best means of expression. Dancing is another branch of art over which a change has come; the dance of yesterday was a thing of set steps and movements to the accompaniment (one cannot call it anything else) of music written in a few equally set measures. The dance of to-day is characterized by a lack of set steps and movements, and since this lack of conventional form and design is one of the leading features of the piano music (as distinguished from that written for other instruments) of the present school, it is not strange to find that a combination of the two has become a very usual thing with eminently satisfactory results to both. To realize that this is true, one has only to remember (to mention a single instance) one of the recent successes of the past London season, the production of a *Scene de Ballet* for piano and a solo dancer, and recall how one forgot in seeing and hearing it (for there was as much to hear as to see) that a ballet without an orchestra had hitherto appeared a very unsatisfactory thing indeed. So it is on some such lines as these, on some such combination of music peculiarly adapted to the piano and the art of dancing, that "an evening and an afternoon with the Fairies" has been devised, and the Hongkong A.D.C. needs no apology for presenting at this seasonable Christmas time "Snow-white and the Frog Prince" a ballet for fairies and a piano! We shall all look forward to seeing in tangible form those charming companions of our youthful days, "Snow-white" and the "Frog Prince," and in addition shall have the satisfaction of knowing that we are at the same time contributing some small help to that brave nation to whom we owe so much, the Belgians.

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Payment of Final Dividend on Shares for the year ending 30th June, 1914.

THE Board having declared a FINAL DIVIDEND of 5% (Five per cent), free of Income Tax, making a total of 10% for the year ending 30th June, 1914. Holders of Bearer Shares and Holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares will be paid their Dividend on presenting No. 4 Coupon of the Bearer Shares and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares to any of the following Banks at Shanghai or London:

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THE BANQUE BELGE POUR L'ETRANGER.
The Payment will be made in either Dollars or Taels, as the Holder may wish, at the buying rate of exchange of the day when the dividend is paid.
KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1914. [1484]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

No. 43 of 1913.

Re BARRETTO & COMPANY.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICE.

A FIRST DIVIDEND is intended to be declared in the Matter of FREDERICO DEMER BARRETTO, trading as BARRETTO & Co., late of Victoria, Hongkong, adjudicated bankrupt on the 24th day of November, 1913. Creditors who have not proved their Debts by the 25th day of January, 1915, will be excluded. Dated this 24th day of December, 1914.

J. HENNESSEY SETH, Trustee. [1486]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Goods at present in the Custody of the above-named Company will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION by Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, at the Godowns mentioned, on the 11th day of January, 1915, at 11 A.M., unless the same are previously taken delivery of and the charges due in respect thereof paid.

W. S. BROWN, Secretary.

No Mark—24 cases Japanese Ware stored under Lot 7550 in Godown No. 11, Kennedy Town, in the name of Hui Fung Hing.
No Mark—189 cases Firecrackers stored under Lot 6069 in Godown No. 6A, West Point, in the name of WAI FUNG.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1914. [1486]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLAWERS,"
From LEITH, MIDDLERBO, LONDON AND SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 5th Jan., or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst. at 11 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1914. [1481]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P.M. S.S. "SIBERIA,"
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board THURSDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon, will be subject to landing charges, and if undelivered 29th Dec., at Noon, will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown 30th Dec., at 10 A.M.
No Claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to Consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

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B. C. MORTON, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1914. [1482]

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "SHIMOSA"

FROM NEW YORK.

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1914. [1480]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) and SATURDAY, the 25th and 26th inst.

By Order,

A. E. LOWE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1914. [1482]

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) and SATURDAY, the 25th and 26th inst.

By Order,

A. E. LOWE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1914. [1483]

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) and SATURDAY, the 25th and 26th inst.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1914. [1479]

G. R. NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that SEVEN TENDERS in Duplicate will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of MONDAY, the 28th day of December, 1914, for the LETTING of the OLD POST OFFICE BUILDING from the 1st January to 31st December, 1915, subject to conditions which can be ascertained at this Office.

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Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

A. F. CHURCHILL, Director of Public Works.
Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1914. [1485]

G. R. NOTICE.

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A. F. CHURCHILL, Director of Public Works.
Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1914. [1485]

AMERICAN PASSPORTS.

CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by instructions of the Department of State all citizens of the United States now holding regular Department of State or emergency PASSPORTS are required to present themselves within two weeks to a Diplomatic or Consular Officer of the United States for the insertion in such Passport of a declaration as to the Countries in which such Passport is to be used and the purposes for which Countries are to be visited and for the attachment to such Passport of a Photograph of the holder.

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GEORGE E. ANDERSON, Consul-General.
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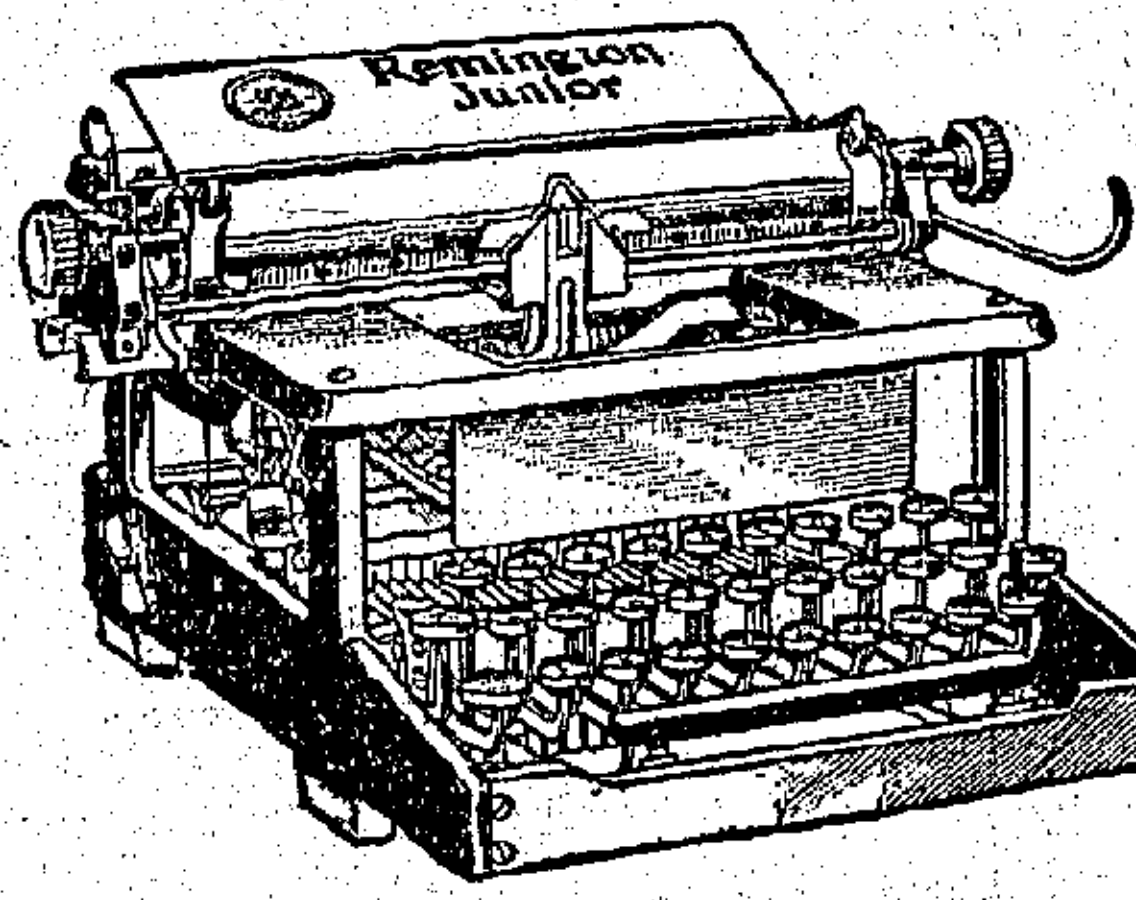
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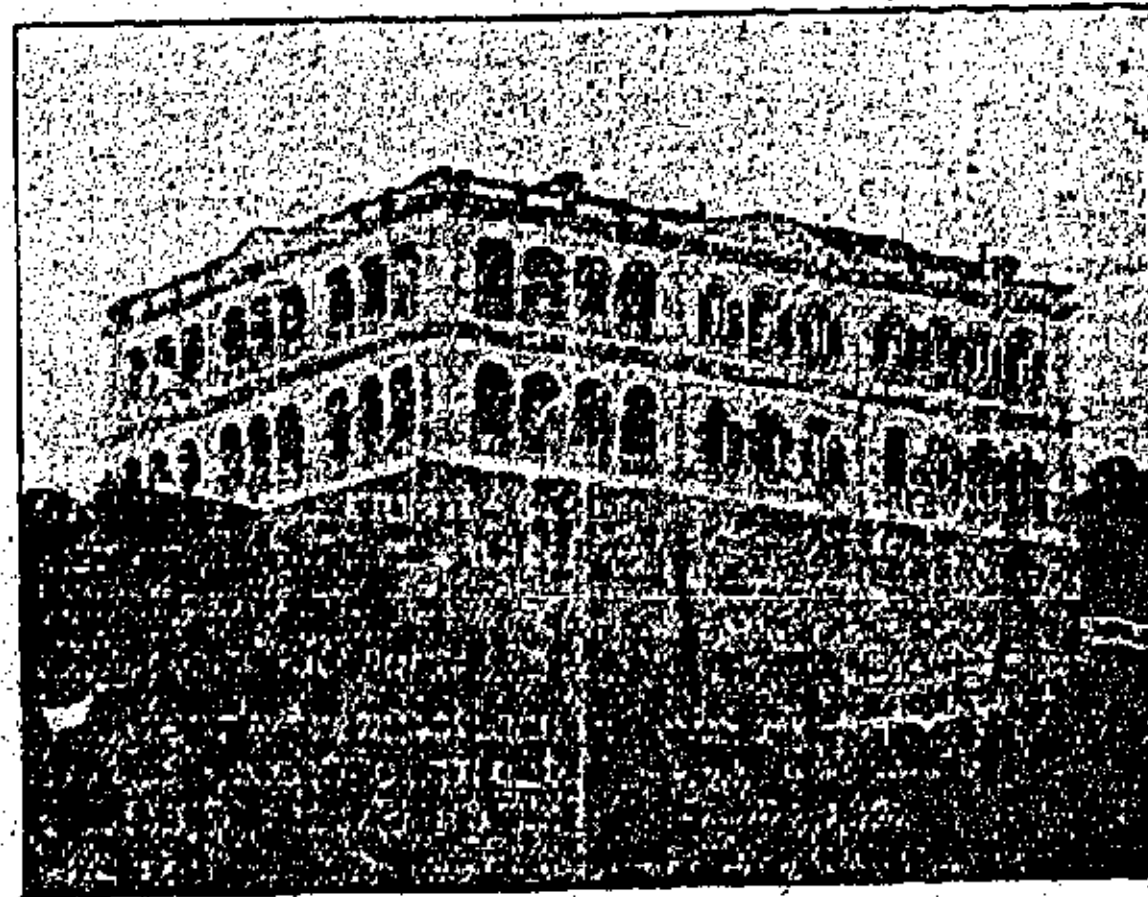
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CRITICISM OF THE PRESS CENSORSHIP.

The *Times* is a leading article says:—
We notice a very prevalent tendency, which some members of the Government appear to share, to say unkind things about the newspapers. The newspapers are equally blamed for being too pessimistic and too optimistic. If they dwell upon the question of invasion, for instance, they are greeted with abuse; if they take a hopeful view of the situation on the Continent, they are told that they are spreading false and injurious impressions. In our opinion, the Press of this country has behaved with great loyalty and restraint in the face of much unwarrantable official discouragement. The Government have exercised control over the Press with singular incompetence and great lack of judgment. They refused the Press facilities for collecting information, but promised to undertake the task themselves. They issued communications from the Press Bureau, and sent to the front an "Eye-witness" whom they hastily labelled as "not official." The "Eye-witness" is not the representative of the newspapers. The Government disclaim him, though they handle his reports. What, then, is the position of this unhappy gentleman, whose last three dispatches were admirably done? Is he allowed to say what he wishes, or only what the Government permit him to say? We make these comments because, if false impressions are prevalent—and on the whole we do not think they are—the Government and not the Press are responsible. In support of this contention we may examine two notable letters we published yesterday from officers at the front. One of these officers wrote:—"I blame the home papers tremendously for publishing articles saying that the Germans cannot shoot straight, that they run away, that their armies are now composed of old men and boys, etc." If the papers have made these statements they have based them on information supplied by the Government. Let us examine each point in turn. On September 6th the Press Bureau said:—"The shooting of the German infantry is poor, while the British rifle fire has devastated every column of attack that has presented itself." On September 11th the Press Bureau said:—"They surrender at sight. This and the rifling of villages and evidences of drunkenness point to demoralization of the routed enemy." On October 22nd "Eye-witness" quoted a German prisoner who said that "many men of his regiment were between seven and eighteen years of age." The writer spoke in the same dispatch of "the inferior quality" of the enemy's reserves, and in a reference to the Indian contingents observed:—"While the enemy is filling his depleted ranks with immature loves we have large reserves of perfectly fresh and thoroughly trained troops to draw upon." Again, on November 10th "Eye-witness" declared that "a considerable proportion of the masses recently thrown into the field against the British has consisted of hastily trained and immature troops," and he called them "ill-assorted levies." He said that "boys of sixteen and seventeen have faced our guns," but he paid a high tribute to the courage of these raw bands.

A General Officer, whose letter we printed yesterday, wrote:—"I am disgusted by the accounts I see in the papers of the inferiority of the Germans as soldiers; don't believe one word of it." On September 6th the Press Bureau forwarded for publication the following statement:—"There is no doubt whatever that our men have established a personal ascendancy over the Germans, and that they are conscious of the fact that with anything like even numbers the result would not be doubtful." Field-Marshal French reported thus:—"The cavalry do as they like with the enemy until they are confronted by three times their numbers. The German patrols simply fly before our horsemen. The German troops will not face our infantry fire, and as regards our artillery, they have never been opposed by less than three or four times their number." This is what the Press has been officially told. Is the General Officer who is so disgusted with the newspapers ready to note out equal censure to the Commander-in-Chief? One point more. The General Officer says that the German troops "have behaved badly, there is no doubt about it, but nothing like what is said of them." "Eye-witness" describing the Germans in a French town, said they "did not burn down the place, but they otherwise behaved in a way which merits the worst that has ever been said of them." We could multiply examples indefinitely, but these will suffice. The impression seems to have spread to the troops at the front that the Press describes the situation too favourably. Our reply is that, if that is the case, the Press, as we have shown regarding these specific allegations, is not to blame. We do not know how far the accounts of the "Eye-witness" are edited, and we have asked in vain whether there are any more dispatches from Field-Marshal French. Sir Stanley Buckmaster has explained to Parliament, in quite another connection, that he deems it to be his duty to suppress observations which might "cause distress or disturbance amongst people in thinking their affairs were in a really serious state." We do not in the least think that the affairs of the nation are in "a really serious state." Our only concern is to point out to those who criticize the Press that if, as is suggested, wrong impressions are prevalent, they should address their complaints to the Government and not to the newspapers.

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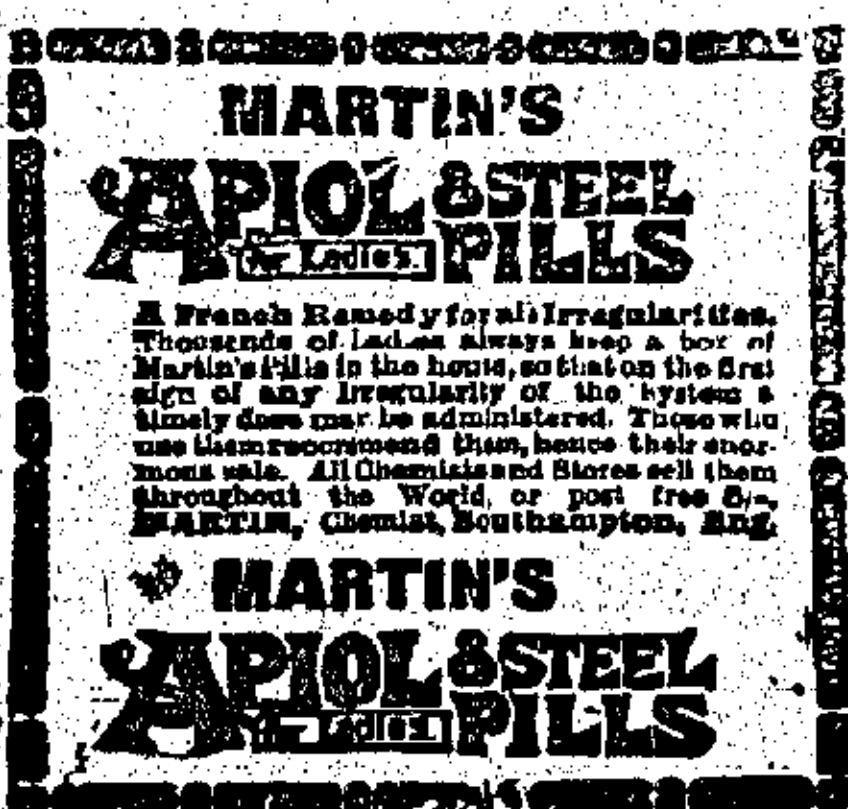
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A great increase in applications had been anticipated, but the elaborate arrangements which had been made to deal with them proved inadequate for the task of sorting and classifying the huge number of subscriptions which were received. The Bank of England had provided a special staff of about 50 clerks to deal with the first postal delivery at 8.30 a.m., and for over two hours they were occupied with merely extracting the forms and cheques from their envelopes. Throughout the day subscriptions poured into the Bank, and at closing time it was impossible to estimate the amount which had been applied for.

Stockbrokers declared the response was immense. One firm reported that it received yesterday morning applications in sums varying from £200 upwards for an aggregate amount of £200,000; and that it expected many more offers to-day. The clients of another firm subscribed £100,000, and this firm has yet to receive returns from the 250 forms which it sent to its customers on Wednesday night. Several smaller firms said they had received applications for £20,000. Stockbrokers are not merely content with sending out forms to their clients; some of them are writing personal notes to their clients, pointing out the attractions of the loan and its peculiar advantages as an investment.

Although it is impossible to say how much of the loan has already been subscribed, it was estimated in the City that between £200,000,000 and £700,000,000 will be applied for. But there is no intention of closing the subscription lists until every one desirous of doing so has had an opportunity of subscribing for the loan. Insurance offices are likely to prove large subscribers. Probably one of the biggest individual subscriptions will be that of the Prudential, which down to the present has applied for £200,000. The attitude of insurance companies generally seems to be that all those which have funds available would, apart altogether from the undoubted attractions of the investment, apply for the loan from patriotic motives. To the composite offices the loan has special attractions, and they will subscribe for large amounts.



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Hongkong, 2nd November, 1914. [18]

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LONDON...	MERIONETHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	NAGOYA	Brit. str.	—	W. H. Swamy, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st Jan., at Noon.
LONDON & SINGAPORE VIA PENANG, COLOMBO, &c.	NAGOYA	Brit. str.	—	W. H. Swamy, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st Jan., at Noon.
MARSEILLES LONDON & VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	FURUKAWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Trisawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	NEBA	Fren. str.	—	Vallat	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA KIELUNG & JAPAN	CHICAGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Hori	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, at 3 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SINGAPORE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SHIDZUKA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Deguchi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA KIELUNG & JAPAN	CANADA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Yamamoto	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 6th Jan., at 3 P.M.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA & P'LAND, &c.	GLINGYLE	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 16th Jan.
DOCKTON & NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 26th inst.
NEW YORK VIA PANAMA CANAL	SIBERIA	Brit. str.	—	A. Zeeder	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	About 30th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHIVO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA MANILA & JAPAN, &c.	CHINA	Am. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILE PORTS VIA JAPAN	KITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 12th Jan., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIPPO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Takada	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 9th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ADENHAMA	Brit. str.	—	G. L. Smith	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 13th Jan., at Noon.
DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, &c.	SURAT	Brit. str.	—	—	THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	On 28th inst.
JAPAN	TIPIANAS	Brit. str.	—	Robertson	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
KOBE & MOJI	HOPKINS	Jap. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAMO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst.
KOBE	HIYOSHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 1st Jan., at 11 A.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YINGCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th Jan., at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	SHAOHSING	Brit. str.	1 m.	K. E. Tnebben	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	LIANGHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. Benson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th inst., at D'light.
SHANGHAI	CHOWSANG	Brit. str.	—	S. Finderson	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst., at D'light.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DUNDEE	Fren. str.	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 29th inst.
SHANGHAI	KANCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. H. Lever	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NILE	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 30th inst.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Kawashima	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst.
SHANGHAI	LUCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Meathrel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. F. Richard	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 1st Jan., at D'light.
SHANGHAI	ACADIA	Brit. str.	—	S. Barham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st Jan.
SHANGHAI	YUKERANG	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
HOANGHONG	KANTANG	Jap. str.	1 m.	Y. Yamamoto	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 2 A.M.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	KAITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Murakami	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan., at Noon.
TAMUUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. W. Evans	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIZAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.
SWATOW	HAICHOW	Brit. str.	2 h.	W. C. Passmore	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIZAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. E. Hodgins	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
MANILA	WINGANG	Brit. str.	—	J. H. Lishman	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 1st Jan., at 1 P.M.
MANILA	RUCOHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	Shane	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
MANILA	KUHSANG	Brit. str.	—	Tough	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	Pennafather	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. G. G. Leach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd Jan., at 4 P.M.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TUWONG	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	RANGSON MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Nomura	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG & COLOMBO	LEON MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Miyata	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YATSHING	Brit. str.	—	Jarrell	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at D'light.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YATSHING	Brit. str.	—	W. D. Welsh	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Yoshikawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
SINGAPORE, MAURITIUS & SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS	SALAMIS	Brit. str.	—	D. A. Gardiner	THE BANK LINE LTD.	End February.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMANG	Brit. str.	—	Gilroy	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 5th Jan., at 3 P.M.
POIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Trowbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
HAIPHONG	TAKSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. McClure	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 8 A.M.

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	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive		Leave	Arrive	Arrive	Arrive	Arrive	Arrive
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SHIPPING IN PORT.

ANTING, Chinese str., 1,168, Paramore, 19th December—Tientsin 14th December, General—China Merchants Steam Navigation Co.
 BANRI MARU, Japanese str., 2,368, P. Saga, 19th December—Balik Papan 16th December, General—Dodwell & Co.
 CHANGKOW, British str., 1,205, G. Morse, 22nd December—Bangkok, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 CHEIKANG, British str., 1,313, P. H. Cowan, 21st December—Swatow 20th December, Ballast—Butterfield & Swire.
 CHICAGO MARU, Japanese str., K. Hori, 18th December—Manila 13th December, Flour—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
 DERWENT, British str., 1,662, John Jenkins, 19th December—Saigon 14th December, Rice—Chinese.
 DRUMAR, Norwegian str., 1,102, J. Bing, 19th December—Swatow 18th December, General—Chinese.
 FOOSHING, British str., 1,943, G. Alcock, 21st December—Moji 16th December, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 HONGKONG, French str., 739, Marquerite, 19th December—Haiphong 17th December, General—A. R. Marty.
 HONG WAI I, British str., 2,050, Mason, 18th December—Haiphong 20th November, General—Chinese.
 HOESANG, British str., 1,359, Robertson, 15th December—Saigon 9th December, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 IRISH MONARCH, British str., 2,792, R. Potter, 19th December—New York, Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.
 KWANGTUNG, Chinese str., 2,135, Sangster, 20th December—Shanghai 16th December, General—Chinese.
 MATSURA MARU, Japanese str., 1,999, K. Okura, 18th December—Nagasaki 11th December, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 MIVAGISAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,762, K. Minakata, 22nd December—Bangkok 9th December, Rice—Chinese.
 PATRAN, British str., 3,165, E. Chaplin, 19th December—Singapore 11th December, General—Dodwell & Co.
 SHIDZUKA MARU, Japanese str., 4,072, M. Deguchi, 20th December—Shanghai 17th December, Flour and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 SIBERIA, American str., 5,335, A. Zeeder, 22nd December—San Francisco 21st December, General—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.
 TAIWAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,145, H. Sakai, 19th December—Kwang Yen 18th December, Cement Stone—Order.
 TAKAOKA MARU, Japanese str., 1,331, Gillespie, 19th December—Hongkong 16th December, Coal—Order.
 TANGSANG, British str., 967, McLure, 20th December—Haiphong 17th December, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 TURQUE, Norwegian str., 1,039, C. Cornolissen, 20th December—Bangkok 9th December, Rice—Chinese.
 TOYO MARU, Japanese str., 2,368, O. Hayasaki, 19th December—Dairen 13th December, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
 Per Shaohsing, from Shanghai, Mr. Wood.
 Per Haitan, from Swatow, etc., Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lay, Miss Dawson, Messrs. J. H. Ammons, Perry, R. R. Pier, and F. A. Rosario.
 DEPARTED.

Per Korea, for San Francisco, etc., Mr. F. R. Pendleton, Miss S. L. Davis, Dr. B. J. Duffy, Mr. W. A. Rennie, Mrs. E. L. Boydstein, Mrs. H. E. Dunnece, Mr. Y. Mori, Mr. N. B. Raraji, Mr. A. Antolini, Prof. A. F. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mr. J. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Moore, Mr. A. E. Johnston, Mr. E. J. Dunston, Mr. F. A. Whitney, Mr. M. Tamara, Mr. F. W. Parker, Mr. Dupre and son, Mrs. W. W. Payne and infant, Mr. A. Cambridge, Jr., Mr. W. Schuster, Mrs. H. L. Shambgen, Mr. Sydney L. Cohen and Mr. V. Reed.

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 HAIPHONG ... Thursday, 24th Dec. 8 A.M.
 SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA ... Friday, 25th Dec. D'light.
 MANILA ... Monday, 28th Dec. 3 P.M.
 SHANGHAI ... Tuesday, 29th Dec. D'light.
 SHANGHAI ... Friday, 1st Jan. D'light.
 MANILA ... Saturday, 2nd Jan. 3 P.M.
 KOBE ... Sunday, 3rd Jan. D'light.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, NILE, and YOKOHAMA	Capt. H. Powell	About 30th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	ARCADIA Capt. S. Barham	About 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	NAGOYA Capt. W. H. Syon, R.N.R.	Noon, 1st Jan.	No Special Advertisement.
LONDON VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	NAGOYA Capt. W. H. Syon, R.N.R.	Noon, 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
MARSEILLES			

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1914.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HONGKONG	"HANYANG"	On 24th Dec., 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 24th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHING"	On 25th Dec., 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"SINGAN"	On 27th Dec., 10 A.M.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG	"HUICHOW"	On 28th Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"KANCHOW"	On 29th Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TAMING"	On 29th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LUCHOW"	On 31st Dec., 4 P.M.

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ALDENHAM	2nd Jan.	On 29th Jan., 11 A.M.

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"HAITAN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 25th Dec., at 1 P.M.
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at 1 P.M.
"HAITANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	FRIDAY, 1st Jan., at 1 P.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days).

"HAIMUN"	Capt. A. H. Stewart	SUNDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
		WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec., at 1 P.M.

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Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed.	Leave Hongkong.
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"CHICAGO MARU"	K. Hori	THURSDAY, 24th Dec., at 3 P.M.
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FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"KAJO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	SATURDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"DALIN MARU"	K. Murakami	SUNDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
"DAIGI MARU"	S. Tokushige	SUNDAY, 3rd Jan., at 10 A.M.

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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	DUMEEA	On or about 29th December.
	HOMER	
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	NEBA	On 29th Dec., at 1 P.M.

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Connecting Steamer from YOKOHAMA	Steamers to COLOMBO.	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamer from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at LONDON (London 1 day later)
Dec. 17	NAGOYA	Dec. 23	Jan. 1	MOREA	Jan. 30	Feb. 5
Jan. 4	ARCADIA	Jan. 11	Jan. 16	MALJOJA	Feb. 10	Feb. 19
Jan. 18	NUBIA	Jan. 25	Feb. 1	MALJOJA	Feb. 27	Mar. 5
Mar. 1	ORIENTAL	Feb. 8	Feb. 15	MOLDAVIA	Mar. 13	Mar. 19
Mar. 1	MALTA	Feb. 23	Feb. 27	EGYPT	Mar. 27	Apr. 2
Mar. 29	SARDINIA	Mar. 8	Mar. 12	MEDINA	Apr. 10	Apr. 16
Apr. 12	NUBIA	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	MONGOLIA	Apr. 24	Apr. 30
	ORIENTAL	Apr. 5	Apr. 9	MALWA	May 8	May 14
	MALTA	Apr. 20	Apr. 24	MORFA	May 22	May 28
	SARDINIA	May 3	May 7	MALJOJA	June 5	June 11

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the ACCELERATED ARRIVAL of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth and London. These vessels will now arrive in Marseilles in Friday, and London on the following Friday.

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	1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation	Single	Return
LONDON	£65.				£97.
2nd Saloon	"B"				£39.
	"A"				£44.
	"B"				£40.
	"A"				£40.
MARSEILLES	1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation	Single	Return
	"B"				£91.
	"A"				£55.
	"B"				£42.
	"A"				£43.
	"B"				£37.

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CARRYING 1st and 2nd SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES

STEAMERS	Leave YOKOHAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONGKONG	Leave COLOMBO	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at LONDON
NAGOYA	Dec. 17	Dec. 23	Jan. 1	Jan. 8	Feb. 3	Feb. 11
NANKIN	Jan. 4	Jan. 15	Jan. 20	Jan. 26	Feb. 22	Mar. 3
NILE	Jan. 19	Jan. 29	Feb. 3	Feb. 9	Mar. 8	Mar. 17
NAMUR	Mar. 2	Mar. 12	Mar. 17	Mar. 23	Apr. 20	Apr. 29
NORE	Mar. 29	Apr. 9	Apr. 14	Apr. 20	May 18	May 27
NELLORE	Apr. 12	Apr. 23	Apr. 28	May 4	June 1	June 10
NAGOYA	May 10	May 21	May 26	June 1	June 29	July 8

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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES and LONDON VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	FUSHIMI MARU Capt. Trizawa	25,000	WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec. at 10 A.M.
VICTORIA, S.C. and SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU Capt. Fraser	16,000	WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan., at 10 A.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TONGAREVA and AUCKLAND	SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. Deguchi	12,500	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at Noon.
CALCUTTA VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON	TAMBA MARU Capt. Nagase	12,500	TUESDAY, 12th Jan., at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	NIKKO MARU Capt. R. Takeda	9,600	WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan., at Noon.
KOBE	HITACHI MARU Capt. Soyeda	18,600	WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	TOSA MARU Capt. Takano	12,000	SATURDAY, 26th Dec.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	RANGOON MARU Capt. Nouna	10,000	SATURDAY, 25th Dec.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	JINSEN MARU Capt. Torada	5,000	THURSDAY, 31st Dec.
	HAKATA MARU Capt. Kawashima	1250	THURSDAY, 31st Dec.
	HITACHI MARU Capt. Sato	13,500	WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan., at 5 P.M.
	KAMO MARU Capt. Shimizu	16,000	FRIDAY, 1st Jan., at 11 A.M.

PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915.

FOR EUROPE.

Steamers	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
KATOBI MARU	20,600 Tons	Thurs., 28th Jan.
KAMO	16,000	11th Feb.
KASHIMA	20,000	25th Feb.
NISHIMA	16,000	11th Mar.
SUWA	25,000	25th Mar.
ATSUTA	16,000	15th Apr.
YASAKI	25,000	22nd Apr.
MIYASAKI	16,000	6th May.
KITANO	16,000	30th May.
FUSHIMI	25,000	2nd June.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamers	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
AEI MARU	12,600 Tons	Tues., 26th Jan.
SADO	12,500	9th Feb.
YOKOHAMA	12,500	23rd Feb.
AWA	12,500	9th Mar.
SHIDZUOKA	12,500	23rd Mar.
TAMBA	12,500	6th Apr.
ARI	12,500	10th Apr.
SADO	12,500	4th May.

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TELEPHONE Nos. 292 and 1241
18-9-16

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

SHIPS' LETTER BOXES.

- 1.—It is hereby notified that during the continuance of the War all outgoing correspondence must be posted at the General Post Office or at any of its Branch Offices.
- 2.—Ships' Officers are strictly forbidden to receive on board their vessels any correspondence from the Public.
- 3.—Shipmasters are not allowed to place or expose on board their vessels letter boxes for the purpose of collecting correspondence; all such boxes found exposed on board their vessels will be removed and returned to the General Post Office.
- 4.—Shipping Companies must not receive from the Public for inclusion in their ships' Papers any but bona fide Consignees' letters which should be left open for inspection when required.
- 5.—Shipping Companies should state in their notifications to the Post Office the exact hour of departure of their vessels in order that the public may have every facility for posting at the General Post Office.
- 6.—Shipping Companies and Ships' Officers must send to the Post Office ALL correspondence except bona fide Consignees' letters posted in the Ships' Letter Boxes or received by Ship Officers at the ports from which they sailed, or anywhere en route to Hongkong.
- 7.—The above regulations will not affect the licensed Private Letter Boxes carried between Hongkong and Canton by the vessels belonging to or managed by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

War risks are not covered by Postal Registration or Insurance.

Correspondence (including parcels) is being despatched as opportunity offers; but all Services are irregular and uncertain and all correspondence is liable to delay.

The Parcel Post Service to France is suspended until further notice.

The Parcel Post and Insured Letter system to Brazil is suspended.

Notice is given that although every possible precaution is taken to secure the safety of all postal packets whilst in the custody of the Post Office the Postmaster-General cannot give compensation for any loss or damage which may be due to the act of the King's enemies. Until further notice no Letters, Boxes, Parcels for Belgium, Brazil, Crete or Montenegro and no Letters, Boxes or Parcels for Malta can be accepted for insurance.

The Parcel Post Service to the United Kingdom is in full working order in both directions by the long sea route.

The Parcel Post Service to Egypt and certain countries mentioned served by Egypt is resumed for ordinary parcels only:—

Crete, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Algeria, Tunis, Switzerland and (Libya) Tripoli.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and their Colonies, and to the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Unregistered Letters and Post Cards may now be sent to Tsingtau.

The Public are informed that the s.s. *Atle* has been sunk in the North Sea. This steamer had on board the Mails from London via Siberia dated 6th and 7th of November, 1914, destined for Hongkong and the British Postal Agencies in China. There is no notification of the recovery of the Mail.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be open to-morrow, and Saturday, the 26th inst., from 8 to 9 a.m. On Friday, the 1st, and Saturday, the 2nd January, the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m.

In the event of the arrival of the English Mail from Europe the Post Office will be open for one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters each day as on Sunday.

There will be a delivery of Registered correspondence during the morning of the 25th inst. and 2nd January.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

The *Yokohama*, with the MAIL FROM LONDON (via Siberia), of Wednesday, the 25th ult., is due to arrive here to-day.

The *Chigo Maru*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, is due to arrive here to-morrow, at daylight.

FOR	PRE	DATE
Hollow and Haiphong ...	Hongkong ...	Thursday, 24th, 11.00 A.M.
Japan via Mori, Victoria, and Tacoma, and United Kingdom via Canada ...	Chicago Maru ...	Thursday, 24th, Noon
Philippine Islands ...	Wingsang ...	Thursday, 24th, 1.00 P.M.
Japan via Kobe ...	Hongkong ...	Thursday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Straits, and India via Calcutta ...	Fooshing ...	Thursday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
SEANGHAI and NORTH CHINA (EUROPE via SIBERIA) ...	Kingchow ...	Thursday, 24th, 2.30 P.M.
(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Brit. P.O. Monday, the 28th inst.)	Yatsing ...	Thursday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta ...	Haitan ...	Friday, 25th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	Shanghai ...	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
SEANGHAI and NORTH CHINA (EUROPE via SIBERIA) ...	Lungchow ...	Saturday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.
(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Brit. P.O. Thursday, 31st inst.)	Daxin Maru ...	Sunday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tientsin ...	Singun ...	Sunday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Hollow, Pailoh and Haiphong ...	Haiman ...	Sunday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow ...	Yusung ...	Monday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands ...	Huachow ...	Monday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands ...	Choyang ...	Monday, 28th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China ...	Shidzuoka Maru ...	Tuesday, 29th, 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Mori, Victoria, B.C., Tacoma and United Kingdom via Canada ...	Haiching ...	Tuesday, 29th, 1.00 P.M.
(EUROPE via SIBERIA) ...	Kanchow ...	Tuesday, 29th, 3.00 P.M.
(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Brit. P.O. Friday, 1st Jan.)	Taming ...	Tuesday, 29th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	Eushen Maru ...	Wednesday 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai and North China ...	Haiman ...	Wednesday 30th, 1.00 P.M.
Swatow ...	Luchow ...	Thursday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China ...		— JANUARY, 1915 —
SAIGON, STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELPHI, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, POKOT and EUROPE (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to NOON, Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Cordilliers ...	Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A.M. Registration ... 10.15 A.M. Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 1.00 A.M. Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS.

FOR	ON WEEK-DAYS	ON SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS
Tai Po ...	10.00 A.M.	9.00 A.M.
Chow Chow (Long Island) ...	2.00 P.M.	—
Shatsukok Shatin and Sheungshui ...	4.00 P.M.	—
Aberdeen, Antau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, Santin, Stanley and Tai O ...	4.30 P.M.	—
Canton, Wanchow and Sam Shui ...	7.30 A.M. 4.00 P.M. Except Saturdays	4.00 P.M.
Macao ...	7.15 A.M. 1.30 P.M.	3 P.M., Saturdays for despatch on Sundays.
Kamohuk and Kongmoon ...	4.00 P.M. Except Saturdays	4.00 P.M.
Namtau and Sanmei ...	4.00 P.M.	4.00 P.M.
Shamohun ...	10.00 A.M. 4.00 P.M.	9.00 A.M.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

December 23rd.

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/9
Bank Bills, on demand	1/9 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/9 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	220
Credits, at 4 months' sight	230 1/2
ON GERMANY.—	
On demand	nom.
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	42 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	nom.
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	nom.
Bank, on demands	132 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	nom.
Bank, on demands	132 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	78
Private, 30 days' sight	83 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	83 1/2
ON MANILA.—	
On demand	83 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	75 1/2
ON BATAVIA.—	
On demand	105 1/2
ON HAIPHONG.—	
On demand	6 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON.—	
On demand	6 1/2 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—	
On demand	8 1/2
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.50
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$56.80
HAR SILVER, per oz.	22 1/2

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong, 20 cents pieces ...	per cent.
Hongkong, 10 " " " "	\$17.80 discount.
Hongkong, 10 " " " "	\$18.00 " "

TO-MORROW

Christmas Day.—Public Holiday.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

- Monday, 28th Dec.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of A Valuable Collection of Antique China and Curious Sales Rooms, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamont.
3 p.m.—Auction of Right to Quarry Stone, by Public Works Dept.
- Tuesday, 29th Dec.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of A Valuable Collection of Antique China and Curious Sales Rooms, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamont.
- Friday, 1st Jan.—
New Year Day.—Public Holiday.
- Saturday, 2nd Jan.—
9.15 p.m.—A.D.C. at the Theatre Royal.—
"Snowwhite and the Frog Prince."
- Wednesday, 6th Jan.—
4.30 p.m.—Matinee A.D.C. at the Theatre Royal.—
"Snowwhite and the Frog Prince."
- Saturday, 30th Jan.—
3 p.m.—A Garden Fete in the grounds of the University.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 23RD DECEMBER, 1914.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.	RETURN ON BASIS OF LAST DIV'D.
BANKS.—					
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$750, sales	11.10% \$71.
China Bank Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$104, buyers	
China Light and Power Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$5	all	\$4	
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	all	\$7 1/2, buyers	
COTTON MILLS.—					
Ewo Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 117	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$7, sellers	
(in Liquidation)					
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$55, sellers	
DOCKS AND WHARVES.—					
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$75	
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$59, buyers	
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$63	all	Tls. 55	
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 85	
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	35,000	Tls. 100	all	\$5, buyers	
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	all	\$36, buyers	
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$120, buyers	
Hongkong Hotel Company Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$195, buyers	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$25	
Hongkong Rops Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	\$2	
H'kong & South China Steam Fishers Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$6	all	\$10	
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$5, sal. & buy.	
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	325,000	5	all	\$5, sal. & buy.	
INSURANCES.—					
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$345, sellers	
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$129	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$350	\$50	\$285	
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 145	
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$770, buyers	
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$200	
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—					
H'kong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$114, sellers	
Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd.	10,000	\$100	all	\$100	
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd.	95,000	\$100	\$75	\$200	
Humbly's Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$7 1/2	
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	4,000	\$50	\$30	\$44	
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 71	
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$71	
Masthead to Mijun, Bochen	250,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 31, buyers	
Landhouse exploitation in Langkat					
MINE.—					
China Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	21	all	37/6	
Hewson Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	822,000	21	all	2/6	
Rail Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	21	all	\$2.10, buyers	
Trozel Mines, Limited	25,000	21	all	24	
Peak Tramway Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$10.75, buyers	
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	all	\$5	
Puizer et Perrieres du Tonkin Societe des	13,200	\$50	all	\$20	
REFINING.—					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$77	
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$17, sellers	
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—					
China and Malacca Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	all	\$54, buyers	
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$50	
H'kong, Canton & Macao S.P. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	\$23, sellers	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	\$54, buyers	
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,500,000	21	all	75/-, buyers	
Star Ferry Company, Limited	40,000	\$10	all	\$40	
South China Wharves and Stevedores, Ltd.	6,000	\$25	all	\$28	
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$44, sellers	
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.—					
Powell, Wm., Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$7, sellers	
Watson & Co. A.S., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$7	
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$18	

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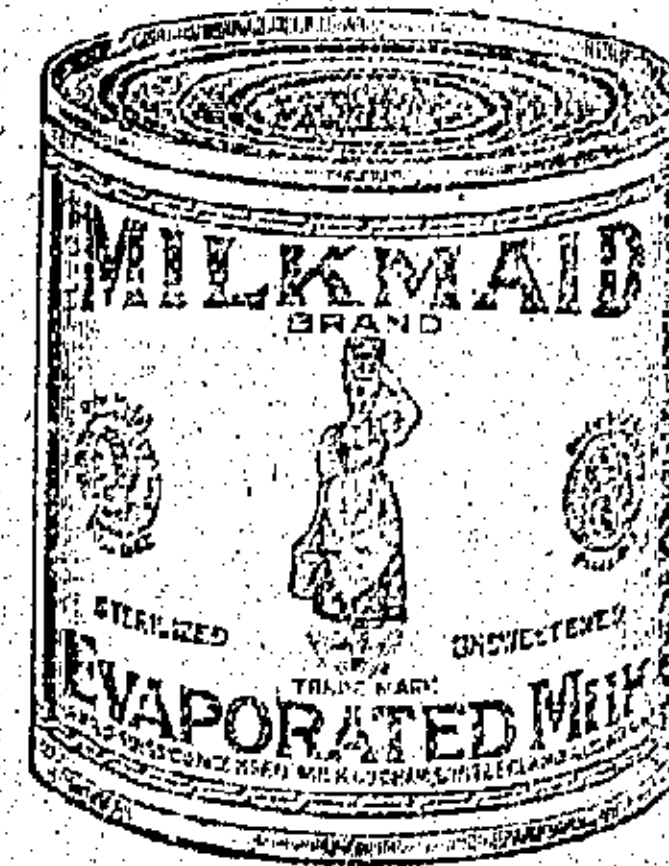
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